

"The Forest has received emails and letters from several groups and individuals requesting a multiparty monitoring group be formed for the Middle East Fork project. I have been talking to some of these folks to develop a process to do just that. I look forward to working with the multiparty group to review the project and learn if we did a good job anticipating the outcomes and consequences of this project" said Tracy Hollingshead, Sula District Ranger.

The Forest is asking anyone who may be interested in volunteering to be part of the monitoring group to send in a letter of interest. Letters should be sent by March 23, 2007 to: Tracy Hollingshead, Sula District Ranger, 7338 Hwy 93 South, Sula, MT 59871 or emailed to [r1\\_bitterroot\\_comments@fs.fed.us](mailto:r1_bitterroot_comments@fs.fed.us). Include information about: 1) your availability and how much time you would be able to commit to the monitoring effort; 2) your interest in this project; and 3) what perspective or viewpoint you would bring to the monitoring group. Once letters are received the Forest will work with the National Forest Foundation and those who have already expressed interest to select a balanced monitoring group representing the diverse interests in this project. All monitoring group meetings will be open to the public.

Call the Sula Ranger District 821-3201 for more information.

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